

REMARKS

Claims 27 and 29 - 35 were allowed in a July 28, 2004 Notice of Allowance. Claims 31, 32, 34, and 34 have been amended.

Applicants have amended the claims to correct inaccuracies. Before the current amendment, claims 31, 32, 34, and 35 recited that the input protection circuit protected itself. Applicants have amended claims 31, 32, 34, and 35 to correctly cite that the input protection circuit protects the circuit to be protected.

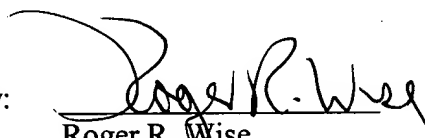
Applicants believe that claims 27 and 29 - 35 are still in condition for allowance, and respectfully request that the amendments are entered. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (213) 488-7100 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance should the Examiner believe that such a telephone conference would advance prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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